

JULY 2016 NEWS

Revival Time Ministry, Uganda

Dearly Beloved Readers and Partners,

It is important to us that we update every one who is close to us and has shown interest in the work that we are doing. This provides knowledge for prayer basis for us and ministry in this location. **Note: not necessarily to solicit help. We are delighted and honored when help comes as a result of God moving some one.**

I had been reading, and even teaching, about Jesus feeding five thousand men (close to twelve thousand people in total) in Chapter fourteen in the book of Mathew, without practically understanding the emotional and compassionate background of the story. He was not doing this to demonstrate His divine capacity, but moved by His love and compassion for mankind - His very mission on earth. People who love Christ Jesus, share His emotion towards the suffering people who are the image of God.

Starving People Enjoying Breakfast provided by Pastor Oyako during a seminar



I was speaking in a general church seminar in Kaberamaido, my home district, and recently and came face to face with a devastating famine among people. Several people had survived on wild fruits and roots for weeks. There was a moving story of how an old man, about 72, had a scuffle with a wild monkey over a mango fruit. He got bitten and badly injured. He had got a fruit, but a monkey jumped on him, bit him, and ran a way with the fruit.

Famine is widespread in the Teso Sub region due to double crop failure, due to EL-NINO, and prolonged drought. News on radio, television, and newspapers talk of people dying of famine, especially in Amuria district. There is no immediate hope till perhaps at the end of September.

A church deacon preparing freshly slaughtered meat for lunch. Donation came from Pastor Oyako



I was in a teaching seminar, but was moved so much when people looked frail and weak due to hunger. They had not had a good meal for months. I felt I could even sell myself to help. I told the people go pick up their cups and plates so that they could eat food I provided. I was overwhelmed by compassion for the suffering people. I provided breakfast made of porridge and boiled mutton, and

Posho, to about 100 people, on average for three days. At the start there were less, but the number kept increasing. I know some were coming just to eat something. If I had prolonged the seminar, the whole village would have come to the seminar.

God had just blessed me with consultancy service, and we had made a saving earmarked for school fees next term. My wife and I agreed that we could help the starving people first, and trust God for fees. She sent money though my phone (about 450 Kms away). I bought three live animals, maize flour, sugar and thus provided breakfast and lunch. The seminar became lively.

Though I have not been able to travel far due to the fact that the car is grounded, the ministry came to me right in my office at home in Jinja. I had more than three counselees every day sometimes spending up to 4 hours on each one. I love it, I love to bless people, and be a channel that God uses to bless others.

I was blessed to be contracted to provide consultancy for a local church in Jinja. The church needed some one with vast knowledge of a local church operation, social development, and some experience in International relations. It was hectic work for me to come up with a brand new church administrative structure complete with an up-to-date policy on administration, and human resources related policies, a well-defined vision and values. My pay cheque was good and I was able to meet my needs and also shared part of it with the people suffering from famine. ***Pray that I will get more consultancy opportunities and make money.***

God is good. Whenever one door closes others open. When the engine of my Suzuki was gutted by fire on my way to ministry, I stayed calm and told God that He could show me what to do next.

Next week I will be travelling abroad to Kenya to distribute my book, "*The Discipleship Teaching Manual.*" ***Please pray with me for safety.***



Esther Chellangat (17)

A couple of days ago, a young girl, 17, escaped the evil of the backward cultural practices (Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) and came to us. She rejected that practice because she is a committed Christian. She came under the wrath of her relatives, and she fled. She does not know her father because the mother conceived her while still school, then passed on. She had been living under the protection of the maternal grandmother. However, she passed on as well at the beginning of this year.

Esther Chellangat is very intelligent and talented in Sports. She comes from the mountainous area in Kapchorwa where also Mr. Kiprotich, the Ugandan Olympic Gold medalist hails from. She is from around the Sipi area. Police are aware of Esther's stay with us. She was brought to us by Pastor Peter who knows us well.

We are looking for a sponsor for Esther to go back to school. Because of her academic performance in the previous school paid for by her late grandmother, and sport certificates, she was given a place in MM College Wairaka. She needs immediately, an equivalent of USD 427, for tuition, and shopping. ***Pray with us that God helps touch some one to Support Esther.***

Finally, pray with me. I believe I needed a stronger vehicle now. I prefer Mitsubishi, Pajero IO. It has less fuel consumption, high suspension and 4WD. I have Identified used ones in Uganda costing about UGX 23 Million (USD 7,000). It is even cheaper if purchased online.

We are praying to be able to help immediately 174 vulnerable households in Kaberamaido district. Any help you can send will be channeled directly and a report given.

Thank you very much!
Rev. Isaac Peter Oyako